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Kennecott EIS Update

To: Cooperating Agencies

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RE: Kennecott Utah Copper Tailings Expansion Project EIS Update

This memo provides an update regarding the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' progress on the Kennecott Utah Copper (Kennecott) Tailings Expansion Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Our records show that your agency is participating in the EIS process as a cooperating agency.

Since the February 27, 2014 update, we continue to work on the documents listed below. In the February update we mentioned having a cooperating agency meeting in mid-April. At this time we are waiting on additional information from Kennecott before scheduling that meeting and do not have an approximate date; however, it will likely be mid-May at the earliest. We will schedule the meeting at least 30 days in advance. If you would like to meet with us before the next cooperating agency meeting to discuss Kennecott's proposal or any aspects of the EIS process, please contact me at the telephone number or email below.

Below is a list of the documents we are working on and their statuses:

- **Second, Internal Draft of Chapter 1, Purpose of and Need for the Proposed Action:** we have incorporated changes to the first administrative draft based on agency comments and updated project information provided by Kennecott. We are waiting on additional information from Kennecott to complete the draft.
- **Internal Administrative Draft of the Alternatives Screening Report:** we are waiting on additional information from Kennecott to complete this draft document.
- **Internal Administrative Draft of Chapter 2, Project Description and Alternatives:** we are waiting on additional information from Kennecott to complete this draft document.
- **Partial Internal Administrative Draft of Chapter 3, Affected Environment and Environmental Consequences:** completed sections are currently in internal review, outstanding sections are pending receipt of information from Kennecott.

We welcome agency comment on the administrative draft documents and anticipate that Chapters 1 and 2 will be provided during Spring 2014. We will provide Chapter 3 after internal review, after cooperating agency review of Chapters 1 and 2, and after receipt of all requested information from Kennecott.

We appreciate your continued involvement as a cooperating agency for this EIS process. Please contact me at (801) 295-8380x11 or john.e.urbanic@usace.army.mil.